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Section 16.7: Divergence Theorem

Idea: Generalize Green's Theorem again; this time the version

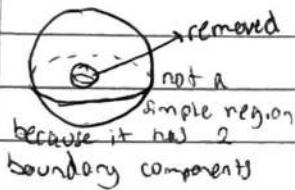
$$\iint_D \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS = \iint_D \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) \, dA$$

(look at
Green's Theorem)

Prop (Divergence Theorem): Suppose R is a ^{solid} region in \mathbb{R}^3 and \vec{F} is a vf which has cts partials on R . If R is a simple region, then $\iint_R \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iiint_R \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) \, dV$.

NB: A simple region in \mathbb{R}^3 is a solid with one boundary component (ie ∂R is a single surface) which is piecewise smooth.

Non-ex:



Ex:

Solid Disk

Ex: Compute the flux of $\vec{F} = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ across $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$

Sol: Apply the divergence theorem:

$$\operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) = \nabla \cdot \vec{F} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}[x] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}[y] + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}[z] = 3$$

Noting $S = \partial R$ for R the solid disk $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1$

$$\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_R \vec{F} \cdot dS = \iiint_R \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) \, dV = \iiint_R 3 \, dV = 3 \iiint_R 1 \, dV = 3 \operatorname{Vol}(R)$$

$$= 3\left(\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3\right) = 4\pi r^3$$

(NB: Next we'll verify we get the same result from direct computation of the surface integral)

Sol 2: The surface is parameterized by

$$\vec{S}(\theta, \varphi) = \langle \sin(\varphi) \cos(\theta), \sin(\varphi) \sin(\theta), \cos(\varphi) \rangle$$

$$\text{on } (\theta, \varphi) \in [0, 2\pi] \times [0, \pi]$$



$$\vec{S}_\theta = \langle -\sin(\varphi) \sin(\theta), \sin(\varphi) \cos(\theta), 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{S}_\varphi = \langle \cos(\varphi) \cos(\theta), \cos(\varphi) \sin(\theta), -\sin(\varphi) \rangle$$

$$\therefore \vec{S}_\theta \times \vec{S}_\varphi = \det \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ -\sin(\varphi) \sin(\theta) & \sin(\varphi) \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ \cos(\varphi) \cos(\theta) & \cos(\varphi) \sin(\theta) & -\sin(\varphi) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \langle \sin^2(\varphi) \cos(\theta), -(-\sin^2(\varphi)) \sin(\theta), -\sin(\varphi) \cos(\varphi) \sin^2(\theta) - \sin(\theta) \cos(\varphi) \cos^2(\theta) \rangle$$

$$\text{So } \vec{S}_\theta \times \vec{S}_\varphi = -\sin(\varphi) \langle \sin(\varphi) \cos(\theta), \sin(\varphi) \sin(\theta), \cos(\varphi) \rangle$$

At $\theta=0, \varphi=\frac{\pi}{2}$ we get $-\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$ pointing inward

So we use $-\vec{S}_\theta \times \vec{S}_\varphi$ to correct orientation

$$\therefore \vec{F}(\vec{S}(\theta, \varphi)) \cdot -(\vec{S}_\theta \times \vec{S}_\varphi) = \langle \sin(\varphi) \cos(\theta), \sin(\varphi) \sin(\theta), \cos(\varphi) \rangle \cdot \sin(\varphi) \langle \sin(\varphi) \cos(\theta), \sin(\varphi) \sin(\theta), \cos(\varphi) \rangle$$

$$= \sin(\varphi) (\sin^2(\varphi) \cos^2(\theta) + \sin^2(\varphi) \sin^2(\theta) + \cos^2(\varphi)) = \sin(\varphi)$$

$$\therefore \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_D \vec{F}(\vec{S}(\theta, \varphi)) \cdot -(\vec{S}_\theta \times \vec{S}_\varphi) dA = \iint_D \sin(\varphi) dA$$

$$= \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\varphi=0}^{\pi} \sin(\varphi) d\varphi d\theta = \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} [\cos(\varphi)]_{0}^{\pi} d\theta = \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} (1+1) d\theta = 2 \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} d\theta$$

$$= 2 \cdot 2\pi = 4\pi$$

NB: The two solutions gave the same answer, so we verify the divergence theorem (for this example)

Ex: Calculate the flux of $\vec{F} = \langle xe^y, z-e^y, -xy \rangle$ across the ellipsoid $x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 = 4$

Solution: Apply the Divergence theorem:

$$\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \iiint_R \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) dV$$

for R the solid ellipsoid $x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 = 4$ (b/c $\partial R = S$)

$$\text{but } \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) = \nabla \cdot \vec{F} = e^y + (-e^y) + 0 = 0$$

$$\therefore \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \iiint_R 0 dV = 0$$

NB: We could ~~verify this~~ directly via a parameterization of S . The parameterization is indicated by

$$x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 = 4$$

$$\text{iff } \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{y^2}{3} + \frac{z^2}{2} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{iff } \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{6}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2$$

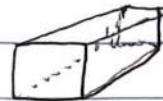
We can parameterize the solid ellipsoid using a version of spherical coords

$$\begin{cases} x = \sqrt{6} \sin(\varphi) \cos(\theta) \\ y = \sqrt{3} \sin(\varphi) \sin(\theta) \\ z = \sqrt{2} \cos(\varphi) \end{cases}$$

yield $\rho^2 = \frac{2}{3}$ is the surface

(Check $\frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(\rho, \varphi, \theta)} = \rho^2 \sin(\varphi)$)

Ex: Compute flux of $\vec{F} = \langle 3x, xy, 2xz \rangle$ across $\partial[0, 1]^3$



NB: Parameterizing this surface would require 6 different pieces...

But w/ divergence theorem, I might not have to

Solution: Applying the divergence theorem:

$$\iint_{\partial[0, 1]^3} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \iiint_{[0, 1]^3} \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) \, dV$$

$$\operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) = \nabla \cdot \vec{F} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}[3x] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}[xy] + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}[2xz] = 3 + x + 2x = 3 + 3x$$

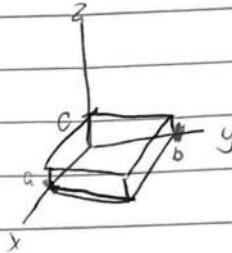
$$\therefore \iint_{\partial[0, 1]^3} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \iint_{z=0}^1 \iint_{y=0}^1 \iint_{x=0}^1 3 + 3x \, dx \, dy \, dz$$

$$= \int_{z=0}^1 \int_{y=0}^1 \left[3x + \frac{3}{2}x^2 \right]_{x=0}^1 \, dy \, dz = \int_{z=0}^1 \int_{y=0}^1 3 + \frac{3}{2} \cdot 0 \, dy \, dz = 3\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)[0, 1]^2 = \frac{9}{2}(1-0)(1-0) = \frac{9}{2}$$

Ex: Calculate the flux of $\vec{F} = \langle x^2yz, xy^2z, xyz^2 \rangle$ across the boundary of the rectangular box $[0, a] \times [0, b] \times [0, c]$ for $a, b, c > 0$

Solution: Let's apply the divergence theorem:

$$\iint_{\partial R} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \iiint_R \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) dV$$



$$\operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) = \nabla \cdot \vec{F} = 2xyz + 2xyz + 2xyz = 6xyz$$

$$\therefore \iint_{\partial R} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \iiint_R 6xyz dV$$

$$= \int_{x=0}^a \int_{y=0}^b \int_{z=0}^c 6xyz dz dy dx = \int_{x=0}^a \int_{y=0}^b 3 \left[xyz^2 \right]_{z=0}^c dy dx$$

$$= \int_{x=0}^a \int_{y=0}^b 3(xyc^2 - 0) dy dx = 3c^2 \int_{x=0}^a \int_{y=0}^b xy dy dx = 3c^2 \int_{x=0}^a \left[\frac{1}{2}xy^2 \right]_{y=0}^b dx$$

$$= 3c^2 \int_{x=0}^a \frac{1}{2}x(b^2 - 0) dx = \frac{3}{2}c^2 b^2 \int_{x=0}^a x dx = \frac{3}{4}b^2 c^2 (a^2 - 0) = \frac{3}{4}ab^2 c^2$$